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BIO

Since becoming coordinator of the Europe and Central Asia Program in 2006, Nina Ognianova has led fact-finding and advocacy missions to Russia, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Turkey, and Hungary. From 2007 until 2012, Ognianova organized and participated in yearly CPJ missions to Moscow and the Brussels, focusing on the issue of impunity in Russian journalist killings. She is the lead author of two major CPJ special reports--"Anatomy of Injustice," issued in September 2009, which exposes flaws in the official investigations of unsolved journalist murders in Russia, and "Turkey's Press Freedom Crisis," issued in October 2012, which examines the anti-press campaign under Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdoğan. Ognianova previously worked as CPJ's Europe and Central Asia researcher. Prior to joining CPJ, Ognianova was a staff writer for the International Journalists' Network, the media-assistance website of the International Center for Journalists in Washington. Ognianova holds a master's degree from the Missouri School of Journalism-Columbia. Her commentaries have appeared in the *Guardian* of London, the *International Herald Tribune*, *The Huffington Post*, and the *EU Observer* among others.

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